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**HOUSE CONCURRENT  
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*Whereas, Before the 1950's individuals with disabilities were shunned from society, either institutionalized or hidden at home;*

*Whereas, A dedicated group of New Albany area parents who wanted a quality educational experience for their children with disabilities got together in 1953 to form a school for their children;*

*Whereas, The group began providing services in a church basement with a volunteer teacher, becoming the first school for children with developmental disabilities in Indiana;*

*Whereas, By becoming the first entity in Southern Indiana to be funded by the WHAS Crusade for Children, Rauch was able to establish a Charlestown Road site in 1958 with the assistance of Rabbi Joseph Rauch, an original WHAS Crusade panelist;*

*Whereas, Rauch now provides children's services through its First Steps program, Grow-n-learn Preschool, Skills on Wheels, and Summer Camp;*

*Whereas, Adult Developmental Activities and the ACCESS program provide a wide variety of person-centered programs designed to include a wide variety of activities that enhance the participants' personal and social lives;*



*Whereas, Rauch Industries offer both "sheltered" and "competitive" work opportunities in a safe and structured environment while providing a valuable service to the business community and providing every client with direct care staff to help clients achieve their goals;*

*Whereas, Employment Services Programming provides placement services to clients with disabilities to help them obtain and maintain community-based employment through career explorations, job readiness, soft skills training, job development, follow along services, and individual job coaching;*

*Whereas, Through Rauch's Supported Living Services, people with disabilities can learn to actively participate in the community and live more independently;*

*Whereas, By operating The Studio, a fully staffed art program and gallery, Rauch's Adult Developmental Activities clients can express themselves through the arts;*

*Whereas, Rauch provides Interpreting Services aimed at serving the needs of individuals in their community who are deaf and hard of hearing;*

*Whereas, From its simple beginning in that church basement, Rauch has expanded its services to serve approximately 1,000 children and adults and families from seven Southern Indiana sites serving Clark, Floyd, Harrison, Jennings, Scott, Washington, Jefferson, and Jackson counties in Indiana, and to provide Interpreting Services in two Kentucky counties; and*

*Whereas, For the past 60 years Rauch has consistently created services and opportunities for persons with disabilities to live meaningful lives, and Rauch now looks forward to even greater opportunities in the years ahead: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives  
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,  
the Senate concurring:*



1           SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly thanks Rauch, Inc.  
2           for its dedicated service to the thousands of people whose lives have  
3           been touched by its caring and dedicated personnel.  
4           SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
5           Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Rauch, Inc.

